

< 4000BC

The Greeks developed a catapult
Some were small enough for crossbow use.
It appears from the archaeological
record, that the use of
the crossbow continued
unbroken in Europe
from Classical times to its
period of greatest popularity
(11th cen → 16th cen).

400 B.C.

The dated solar eclipse of Ennus

400BC

Centuries in China

400 BC

Lati Precessse maya

400 BC

Originally passed to the opposite end of Eurasia. Inhabitants of China had cast iron plowshares at least by 400 BC, 18 centuries before Europeans attained the high furnace temperatures needed for casting iron. Ores in China had the advantage of a high phosphorus content, which lowered the melting point of the iron.

4th Century BC

470 BC

The Romans divided their day into two parts.

- 1) before midday (ante meridiem)
A.M.
- 2) after midday (P.M.) (Postmeridie)

On assistance to the consul was assigned to notice when the Sun crossed the meridian, and to announce it in the Forum, since

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Another fine day and lots of shells
: (corals etc) mostly old (ancient)
Insects too: and in your box
you brought by me. Quincunx
with some very beautiful
• more old
ones in the box

450 BC

Every citizen of military age was liable to service and received no pay until 396 BC

400 BC

Extending power of
Romans in Sicily